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THE GEO GROUP BEGINS INMATE INTAKE AT SHORT TERM OFFENDER PROGRAM FACILITY IN INDIANA

Boca Raton, Fla. – March 21, 2011 -- The GEO Group (NYSE: GEO) ("GEO") announced today that it has begun the intake of inmates at the Short Term Offender Program Facility in Plainfield, Indiana (the "Facility"). GEO will manage the state-owned Facility under a four-year contract with four one-year renewal option periods with the State of Indiana, Department of Correction (the "Department"). GEO expects the Facility to initially house approximately 300 inmates and ramp up to 1,066 inmates over time. At full occupancy, the Facility is expected to generate approximately \$9.0 million in annualized revenues, which excludes the provision of medical, food, and maintenance services which will be contracted out directly by the Department.

George C. Zoley, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of GEO, said, "We are pleased with the successful activation of the Short Term Offender Program Facility in Indiana, and we look forward to building on our existing public-private partnership with the Indiana Department of Correction."

The GEO Group is a world leader in the delivery of correctional, detention, and residential treatment services to federal, state, and local government agencies around the globe. GEO offers a turnkey approach that includes design, construction, financing, and operations. GEO represents government clients in the United States, Australia, South Africa, and the United Kingdom. GEO's worldwide operations include the management and/or ownership of approximately 81,000 beds at 118 correctional, detention and residential treatment facilities, including projects under development.

This press release contains forward-looking statements regarding future events and future performance of GEO that involve risks and uncertainties that could materially affect actual results, including statements regarding estimated earnings, revenues and costs and our ability to maintain growth and strengthen contract relationships. Factors that could cause actual results to vary from current expectations and forward-looking statements contained in this press release include, but are not limited to: (1) GEO's ability to successfully pursue further growth and continue to enhance shareholder value; (2) GEO's ability to access the capital markets in the future on satisfactory terms or at all; (3) risks associated with GEO's ability to control operating costs associated with contract start-ups; (4) GEO's ability to timely open facilities as planned, profitably manage such facilities and successfully integrate such facilities into GEO's operations without substantial costs; (5) GEO's ability to win management contracts for which it has submitted proposals and to retain existing management contracts; (6) GEO's ability to obtain future financing on acceptable terms; (7) GEO's ability to sustain company-wide occupancy rates at its facilities; and (8) other factors contained in GEO's Securities and Exchange Commission filings, including the forms 10-K, 10-Q and 8-K reports.

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